

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

HEADQUARTERS, 4^{TH} INFANTRY DIVISION ARTILLERY (M) FORT HOOD, TX 76544

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COMMAND POLICY MEMORANDUM:

SUBJECT: Prevention of Sexual Assault: CO-E-2

- 1. The prevention of sexual assault is a responsibility of command and a function of leadership. All leaders will help sustain an environment of dignity and respect and will immediately address and fully investigate allegations of sexual assault.
- 2. Victims of sexual assault will receive prompt, professional, and compassionate care. Leaders will familiarize themselves with the Army's victim/witness assistance program (AR 27-10, Chapter 18) and will ensure that they notify the appropriate investigating agency when they are informed of an incident.
- 3. Reporting options for victims of sexual abuse include the chain of command, medical facilities (to include the 24-hour emergency room), the Staff Judge Advocate, the Provost Marshal's Office, chaplains, the Inspector General, the EO office, the EEO office, and the EO/Sexual Harassment Hotline. Leaders will ensure that anyone filing a complaint with any of these agencies will be protected against acts or threats of reprisal.
- 4. I am personally committed to ensuring that all the Soldiers of this Brigade are treated with the respect and dignity they deserve. I demand that we uphold the Army values, warrior ethos, and professionalism that have made us great. I will not tolerate incidents that negatively affect this unit's trust, health, welfare, morale, and combat readiness.
- 5. Post a copy of this letter on all unit bulletin boards; ensure all incoming personnel receive Prevention of Sexual Assault Awareness Training as part of their unit in-briefing; and conduct such training semi-annually at every unit.

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